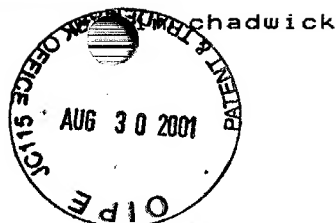


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Our check in the amount of \$390.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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